

In the Specification:

On page 1, lines 4 and 5, please amend the paragraph appearing under the heading "Technical Field" as follows::

-- The present invention concerns a method for producing alloy wheels.

Such a method according to the preamble of claim 1 is known from EP 607757. --

On page 3, please replace the passage running from line 8 to line 27 in single space with the same passage in double space:

According to a method for producing alloy wheels for motor vehicles disclosed in patent application EP 607,757, the alloy wheels are realised and finished with a cutting machine tool. In particular, the above identified method comprises the steps of measuring the unbalance of said wheel, checking whether said unbalance is lower than an unbalance acceptability value by means of a control unit; calculating a mass to be removed and the respective phase with respect to a determined point on the wheel; said unbalance being identified by said mass and by said phase. The identified mass is removed by the cutting machine tool by offsetting the centre axis of the wheel.

Even though, the above method is a step forward in balancing the alloy wheel and allows reducing the lead applied to the outer side rim, it cannot solve completely the problem set forth above. In fact, EP 607,757 the dynamic unbalance is poorly compensate by machining the wheel by offsetting the axis of the wheel.

From DE 24,55,279 it is known a method for balancing the wheel with a mounted tyre by deforming the rim of the wheel. This technique is applicable solely to wheel made of malleable material such as deep drawn metal sheet.